

## Stephanie Kost

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**Sent:** Monday, August 02, 2004 2:01 PM  
**To:** KJMWEB  
**Subject:** Violence on T.V

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August 2, 2004

Commissioner Kevin Martin  
445 12th Street SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Commissioner Martin:

Dear Sirs & Madam,

I would like to lend my voice against Violent programming on T.V.

I and my wife have our neices and nephews come over to visit often and it really breaks my heart to see those little eyes taking in the horrible scenes of violence and carnage so brazenly potrayed as reality.

My children or any others for that matter have very sensitive and absorbent minds and what they see on T.V has a profound impact on them and sometimes may leave them deeply scarred for the rest of their life.

I myself am a person who grew up watching violent programs and I still recollect with horror and start to sweat when my mind suddenly re-runs those programs I watched several decades ago.

And my children are very young and I would definitely implore you to remove any offensive and violent scenes, including sexual content from TV programming because it has such a vast audience of various ages who cannot discern what is true and not true, what is good and what is not.

This would most definitely be received well by a very large audience and they would have much appreciation for your timely implementation in this regard.

With much appreciation for this thoughtful gesture of your organization to take an inquiry of this type.

Sincerely,

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**From:** Cynthia Fleming [cjsfleming@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, August 02, 2004 1:59 PM  
**To:** KAQuinn  
**Subject:** TV violence

Cynthia Fleming  
35 E. Nicolet Blvd.  
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My son and his wife are now expecting their first child. I told them that if I were raising a child today there are a few things I would do differently. The first thing I would do is take the television right out of the home. There are too many things on TV today that are not appropriate for a child to see and that I do not want our children imitating.

The question we need to ask ourselves is do we want to affect our children's character in a positive way or a negative way? Please help me and all parents who want the best for our children by raising our standards of decency.

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Dear People:

I would like to comment on the violence on TV, its is bad for children, and adults for that matter. It does no one any good, except for, I guess the people making money on it. Children do not need those violent images in thier heads. Just walk into a junior high school anywhere in the US, and if its between classes, you will see flying objects, hear horrible profanity, its like taking your life in your own hands. This is also true of high schools and now even elementary schools. Violent TV has a hugh impact on little minds, just think of it, it doesn't take a rocket scientist, think how we remember commercials, I can recall tunes and lyrics from 10 to 15 years ago. I'll bet you can to. My name is Vicki Emery, I live in Orem Utah, and I have 6 grandchildren and one on the way. Twenty five years ago the programing on TV was clean, wholesome and yes, very entertaining!! and good for the human mind, nowadays, the programing, isn't worth the time it takes to watch it. No disrespect to the actresses and actors, they are talented people, its the material that they have to work with that is garbage.

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August 2, 2004

Commissioner Kevin Martin  
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Washington, DC 20554

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Sincerely,

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**Sent:** Monday, August 02, 2004 12:46 PM  
**To:** Commissioner Adelstein  
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Commissioner Kathleen Abernathy  
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Commissioner Abernathy:

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